



## **Crime Scene Technology**

### **Associate in Science Degree and College Certificate Programs**

The Crime Scene Technology programs are designed to prepare students for employment in fields related to crime scene investigation. Program completers will be able to locate, preserve, develop, collect, analyze and present physical evidence relating to the scene of a crime. Students learn the necessary skills to accurately map out, collect and log evidence, develop and preserve fingerprints, write reports, and present courtroom testimony. Typical industry job titles include *Crime Scene Technician* or *Crime Scene Technologist*.

The program consists of a 28 credit hour college certificate (major code PSVC CRST), and a two year, 60 credit hour Associate in Science degree (major code AS CRST). The certificate program is designed to provide technical training and will transfer directly into the Crime Scene Technology Associate in Science degree. As many law enforcement agencies require college degrees prior to employment, students that do not have law enforcement related experience are strongly recommended to complete the AS degree. Although most crime scene technicians in southwest Florida are law enforcement certified, more agencies are beginning to use civilians in this position. Employment opportunities are greatly enhanced by prior experience in a law related field. Salary and job opportunities vary with willingness to relocate.

The core crime scene course schedule is designed for the evening student. Full time students can complete all coursework in two years. In addition to class and laboratory training, upon approval, internship opportunities are available that will allow the student to experience first hand, the job skills required in the field of crime scene investigation.

Students intending to continue toward a Bachelor's degree are encouraged to consult with their transfer school prior to choosing their associates degree and/or elective coursework. Contact the Edison College Baccalaureate and University Programs Division at (239) 489-9295 or go to [www.edison.edu](http://www.edison.edu) for current information on Bachelor's degree partnerships with Edison College. The Associate in Science degree in Crime Scene Technology transfers directly into the Edison College Bachelor of Applied Science degree in Public Safety Management.

Florida certified law enforcement and/or corrections officers may qualify for the award of specified course courses and elective credit, based on the successful completion of the state exam. See the program advisor, or the Criminal Justice Academy Bridge Program for details.

#### **Tuition and Fees**

Edison College is a comprehensive public college. The cost per credit hour at the time of this publication is \$70.69 per credit hour for Florida residents and \$265.46 per credit hour for non-Florida residents. Other fees may include \$20.00 for an initial application fee, as well as applicable lab fees and textbooks.

#### **Successful Personal Attributes**

Safety Conscious	Strong Ethical Standards	Observant	Methodical	Thorough
Creative-Innovative	Detail Oriented-Analytical	Team Player	Confident	Decisive
Inquisitive-Persistent	Open Minded	Logical	Patient	Tolerant

#### **Important Program Guidelines**

- The nature of crime scene investigation can require physical activity. Students enrolled in the Crime Scene Technology program must be physically able to go into, under, on top of, and through many different environmental scenes as part of their training.
- The employment process may include an extensive background investigation. A prior criminal history may strongly inhibit employment opportunities in this field. Potential employers *may require some or all* of the following criteria as part of the employment process:

Physical Agility	Background Investigations	Drug Screening
Oral Board Interview	Polygraph and/or Voice Stress Analysis	Physical Examination
Psychological Examination	Minimum Age Requirement	U.S. Citizenship

#### **Program Information**

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[www.edison.edu/academics/crimesceneprogram](http://www.edison.edu/academics/crimesceneprogram)

**EDISON COLLEGE**  
**CRIME SCENE TECHNOLOGY**  
 Associate in Science Degree  
 Program Code: AS CRST

Name \_\_\_\_\_ ID # \_\_\_\_\_

**GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS:**

	Credit Hours
_____ ENC 1101 Composition I	3
_____ ENC 1102 Composition II	3
_____ MGF 1106 Mathematics for Liberal Arts I or higher	3
_____ PHI 2600 Ethics	3
_____ PSY 2012 General Psychology I	3
_____ *Natural Science	<u>3</u>
<b>General Education Credit Hours</b>	<b>18</b>

**DEGREE CORE REQUIREMENTS:**

_____ CCJ 1020 Introduction to Criminal Justice	3
_____ CGS 1100 Microcomputer Skills or higher	4
_____ CJE 2649 Forensic Death Investigation	3
Prerequisites: CJT 1110, CJT 2141	
_____ CJT 1110 Introduction to Crime Scene Technology	3
_____ CJT 2100 Criminal Investigation Techniques	3
_____ CJT 2111C Advanced Crime Scene Technology	4
Prerequisites: CJT 1110, CJT 2141, CJT 2220C, CJT 2241	
_____ CJT 2113 Courtroom Presentation of Scientific Evidence	3
_____ CJT 2141 Introduction to Forensics	3
_____ CJT 2220C Crime Scene Photography	3
Prerequisite: CJT 1110	
_____ CJT 2241 Latent Fingerprint Development	3
Prerequisite: CJT 1110	
<b>Degree Core Credit Hours</b>	<b>32</b>

**ELECTIVES:** **General Elective Credit Hours** **10**

**TOTAL DEGREE CREDIT HOURS:** **60**

\*Natural Science course must be chosen from the following: ISC 1001C, BSC 1005, BSC 1010, PHY 1053 or, with permission of advisor, CHM 2025 or CHM 2025L.

STUDENT SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

ADVISOR/COUNSELOR SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

**\*IMPORTANT\***

**MOST CORE COURSES FOR CRIME SCENE TECHNOLOGY ARE ONLY OFFERED ON THE LEE COUNTY CAMPUS.**

PROGRAM COORDINATOR: KIM GRESHAM: 239-489-9024      PROGRAM ADVISOR: 239-985-3425

**ADDITIONAL LEARNING ASSISTANCE COURSES MAY BE REQUIRED. LEARNING ASSISTANCE COURSES ARE NON TRANSFERABLE AND DO NOT MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS DEGREE PROGRAM. FOR SPECIFIC PROGRAM INFORMATION AND PROGRAM/COURSE PREREQUISITES SEE THE EDISON COLLEGE CATALOG OR YOUR ACADEMIC ADVISOR.**

**Crime Scene Core Annual Schedule**

**All courses indicated are on the Lee Campus – in the evening.**

**Fall Semester**

CCJ 1020 \* Wednesday and Internet  
 CJT 1110 \* Monday  
 CJT 2100 Monday  
 CJT 2141 Thursday  
 CJT 2220C Wednesday  
 CJT 2241 Tuesday

**Spring Semester**

CCJ 1020 \* Wednesday  
 CJE 2649 Wednesday  
 CJT 1110 Monday  
 CJT 2111C Tuesday  
 CJT 2113 Thursday  
 CJT 2100 Internet

**Summer Semester**

CCJ 1020 Tuesday & Thursday – Summer A  
 CJT 1110 Wednesday – Full Summer

\*Indicates course section is also available in the day time.





## CRIME SCENE TECHNOLOGY

### Annual Course Schedule

**All crime scene courses are held in the evening, on the Lee Campus.**

#### Fall Course Schedule

* CCJ 1020	Introduction to Criminal Justice – 3 credit hours	<i>Wednesday &amp; Internet</i>
* CJT 1110	Introduction to Crime Scene Technology - 3 credit hours	<i>Monday</i>
CJT 2100	Criminal Investigation Techniques - 3 credit hours	<i>Monday</i>
CJT 2141	Introduction to Forensic Science - 3 credit hours	<i>Thursday</i>
CJT 2220C	Crime Scene Photography I - 3 credit hours	<i>Wednesday</i>
CJT 2241	Latent Fingerprint Development - 3 credit hours	<i>Tuesday</i>

#### Spring Course Schedule

* CCJ 1020	Introduction to Criminal Justice - 3 credit hours	<i>Wednesday</i>
CJE 2649	Forensic Death Investigation - 3 credit hours	<i>Wednesday</i>
* CJT 1110	Introduction to Crime Scene Technology – 3 credit hours	<i>Monday</i>
CJT 2111C	Advanced Crime Scene Technology - 4 credit hours	<i>Tuesday</i>
CJT 2113	Courtroom Presentation of Scientific Evidence - 3 credit hours	<i>Thursday</i>
* CJT 2100	Criminal Investigative Techniques– 3 credit hours	<i>Internet</i>

**\* Indicates course sections are also available during the day**

*Annual Course Schedule Subject to Change Based on Enrollment*



**CRIME SCENE TECHNOLOGY**  
**Suggested Two Year Schedule**

*All crime scene courses are held in the evening, on the Lee Campus*  
*\* indicates courses sections also available during the day*

**Fall – Recommended First Semester – 15 credit hours**

ENC 1101	English Composition I – 3 credit hours	
	Natural Science Elective – 3 credit hours	
CJT 1110*	Introduction to Crime Scene Technology – 3 credit hours	<i>Monday</i>
CJT 2100	Criminal Investigation Techniques – 3 credit hours	<i>Monday</i>
CJT 2141	Introduction to Forensics – 3 credit hours	<i>Thursday</i>

**Spring – Recommended Second Semester – 16 credit hours**

ENC 1102	English Composition II – 3 credit hours	
PSY 2012	Psychology – 3 credit hours	
MAC 1105	College Algebra – 3 credit hours	
	<b>or</b>	
MGF 1106	Mathematics for Liberal Arts – 3 credit hours	
CCJ 1020*	Introduction to Criminal Justice – 3 credit hours	<i>Wednesday</i>
	Electives – 4 credit hours	

**Fall – Recommended Third Semester – 16 credit hours**

CGS 1110	Microcomputer Skills or higher – 4 credit hours	
PHI 2600	Ethics – 3 credit hours	
CJT 2220C	Crime Scene Photography I – 3 credit hours	<i>Wednesday</i>
CJT 2241	Latent Fingerprint Development – 3 credit hours	<i>Tuesday</i>
	Electives – 3 credit hours	

**Spring – Recommended Fourth Semester – 13 credit hours**

CJT 2111C	Advanced Crime Scene Technology – 4 credit hours	<i>Tuesday</i>
CJT 2113	Courtroom Presentation Scientific Evidence – 3 credit hours	<i>Thursday</i>
CJE 2649	Forensic Death Investigation – 3 credit hours	<i>Wednesday</i>
CJT 2100	Criminal Investigative Techniques – 3 credit hours	<i>Monday</i>

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## CRIME SCENE TECHNOLOGY

### Associate in Science Degree to Associate in Arts Degree

**1. Associate in Science Degree in Crime Scene Technology**  
**General Education Requirements:**

ENC 1101	Composition I	3
ENC 1102	Composition II	3
MGF 1106	Mathematics for Liberal Arts I or higher	3
PHI 2600	Ethics	3
PSY 2012	Psychology	3
*	Natural Science	3

\*Natural Science course must be chosen from the following:  
 ISC 1001C, BSC 1005, BSC 1010, PHY 1053 or, with permission of advisor,  
 CHM 2025 or CHM 2025L.

**Total credit hours** **18**

**2. Additional Credit Hours Required to Complete General Education:**

SPC 1600	Fundamentals of Speech Communications	3
**	Humanities To complete college requirements, you must complete at least one Humanities course with an HUM course prefix (writing intensive).	3
**	Social Sciences  To complete college requirements, you must complete at least one social science course with an WOH course prefix (writing intensive).	6
**	Mathematics	3
**	Natural Sciences To complete college requirements you have complete at least one course with a lab, indicated by either an "L" or "C" following the course prefix.	3

**Total credit hours** **18**

**3. Additional AA Electives Required:** **11**

**Important:** At the time of publication, this requirement is pending modification. See your Advisor for additional information regarding the AA elective requirement.

\*\*Courses specified as Humanities, Social Science, Mathematics and Natural Science must be selected from courses listed in the College catalog under general education requirements for the AA degree. Refer to the Associate in Arts General Education Program Guide of the current college catalog for specific program requirements and additional information. Associate in Arts degree completers must meet the writing intensive requirement of at least four courses, as noted.

**IMPORTANT**

**Foreign Language:** Students seeking admission to the Florida State University System should have completed two years of foreign

language at the high school level or two courses (eight credit hours) at the college level. Foreign language is a State University System baccalaureate graduation requirement. Some colleges and universities may require foreign language *prior* to admission.

**Edison College**  
**Crime Scene Technology Work Experience Application for**  
**GEB 1949 Work Experience Practicum**

All students participating in a Crime Scene Technology related work experience practicum must comply with the following guidelines and complete the following application *in addition to general GEB 1949 Work Experience Practicum requirements*. Students seeking internships in the CST field should note that placement is limited and is based on agency requirements.

- The student must have completed at least 45 credit hours in the Crime Scene Technology AS degree program, with a grade point average of 3.0 or better.
- The student must be enrolled in his or her final semester prior to graduation.
- Edison College and the respective work experience granting agency retain the right to exclude students from any crime scene deemed inappropriate for student activity.
- Edison College and the respective work experience granting agency retain the right to remove any student from participation in the work experience practicum experience, at any time.
- Students participating in GEB 1949 Work Experience Practicum through the Crime Scene Technology program must be clearly identified as an Edison College student. Students in this program will be requirement to dress in either 1) uniform provided by the participating agency or 2) Uniform t-shirt that may be purchased through the College bookstore. Appropriate pants and enclosed foot attire are required.
- The process may include an extensive background investigation. A prior criminal history may strongly inhibit employment opportunities in this field. Potential employers *may require some or all* of the following criteria as part of the employment process:

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Psychological Examination	Minimum Age Requirement
U.S. Citizenship	

1) **Student Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **ID** \_\_\_\_\_  
(print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student Signature Date

2) **To be completed by Criminal Justice Faculty:**

*I support and endorse the above student in his or her application for Edison College GEB 1949 Work Experience Practicum in the field of Crime Scene Technology.*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Criminal Justice Professor Criminal Justice Professor

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date Date

3) **To Be Completed by Criminal Justice Program Coordinator:**

Verification of Major Student G.P.A. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Criminal Justice Program Coordinator Date

**COMPLETED FORM MUST BE RETURNED TO MS. LANA HOFFMAN, WORK EXPERIENCE COORDINATOR,  
PRIOR TO SEEKING PLACEMENT IN YOUR INTERNSHIP.**